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this money, and then turn around and, at some point, we had better just have one distribution formula for one form of gambling, because I'm beginning to think the only way you are going to keep gambling from expanding, expanding, expanding, in every form there is there will be competition. Competition is going to force it or at least will make it acceptable and I have got a lot of reservations about this whole bill, I will have to admit that, as the thing has gone along, but I think we had better adopt this amendment for the sole reason of staking out a claim on this amount of money, and at some point, we had better start dividing all this gambling money up with a single split and get rid of the competition between forms of gambling because that is, obviously, where we are headed, except we have a unique policy change this morning to tie the two together, and probably we ought to tie them all together at some point, but there will be no chance of doing that unless you have a substantial amount of the funds and this does permit that. So I would urge the body to adopt the amendment because it seems to me it is the only way we are ever going to start to get a handle on the form that gambling might take in this state, and that is to really start to control where the receipts are used and for what purpose and narrow that down, and that also will help restrict forms of gambling.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Senator Warner. I would like to announce some guests of Senator Nelson. In the south balcony, we have 30 fourth graders from the Seedling Miles School in Grand Island. Would you folks please stand up and let us welcome you to the Legislature. Thanks for coming, kids. We would like to announce that the last amendment, the Smith amendment to the Hall amendment did not pass, did not pass. The Chair was mistaken. Excuse me. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, some items for the record, thank you. Study resolutions by Senator Smith and Rod Johnson will be referred to Reference Committee. (Re: LR 107, LR 108 on pages 2215-16 of the Legislative Journal.)

Amendments to be printed to LB 783A by Senators Lamb and Wickersham, and LB 783; Senator Hall to LB 577; Senator Rod Johnson to LB 51; Senator Coordsen to LB 652; Senators Wesely and Byars to LB 830. That is all that I have, Mr. President. Thank you. (See pages 2216-24 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you. The next speaker or the Hall